Examiner: Benjamin Huh

Confirmation No.: 8370

Art Unit: 3767

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Patent Application of:

Dagmar Beverlein

Application No: 10/656,491

Filing Date: September 5, 2003

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DETECTING TISSUE CONTACT AND NEEDLE PENETRATION DEPTH USING

STATIC FLUID PRESSURE

MEASUREMENTS

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed June 17, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment.